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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 5 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Guinea-Bissau

Report of the Secretary-General on developments in Guinea-Bissau and on the activities of the United Nations Peace-building Support Office in that country (S/2000/920)

UNIKOM

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (31 March - 21 September 2000) (S/2000/914)

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Other matters

3 p.m. 4204th (resumed) meeting Security Council Chamber

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/928)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/929)

Identical letters dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council (S/2000/930)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/934)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/935)

Advance announcement

Security Council Working Group on Peace Operations will meet on Friday, 6 October 2000, at 3.30 p.m. in the Consultation Room.

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

Afternoon*	206th meeting** (closed)	Conference Room 7

* Following the adjournment of the 4204th (resumed) meeting of the Security Council.

** The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to members of the United Nations, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	6th meeting	Conference Room 1

General debate *(continued)*:

Canada
United States (on behalf of China, France, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom)
Guatemala
Venezuela
Malaysia
Czech Republic
Croatia
Kenya
Angola
Bulgaria

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/55/INF.1)]

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Proposed medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005 (A/55/6, Introduction and Programmes 1, 3, 4, 6, 21, 22 and 23)

2. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]

   Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcain, St. Helena, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the United Virgin Islands: draft resolution VI (A/55/23 (Part III), chap. XIII))

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	6th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

General debate *(continued)*:

Israel
Viet Nam
Senegal
Saudi Arabia
Venezuela
Costa Rica
Benin
Botswana
Kenya
Lao People's Democratic Republic
South Africa
Mongolia
Malaysia
India
San Marino
Yemen
Democratic People's Republic of Korea
International Labour Organisation
Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	7th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

General debate *(concluded)*:

Mauritania
Cape Verde
Kyrgyzstan
Myanmar
Sudan
Madagascar
Syrian Arab Republic
Singapore
Tunisia
Turkey
Angola
Oman
Moldova
Republic of Korea
Algeria
Togo (on behalf of OAU)
Jordan
Bhutan
Philippines
El Salvador
Dominican Republic
Cameroon

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 3

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [169]

Continuation of general discussion

3 p.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 3

Pattern of conferences [121] (A/55/32, A/55/134, A/55/182, A/55/259, A/55/410, A/55/430, A/54/849 and A/AC.172/2000/6)

Conclusion of general discussion

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: Letters dated 17 July and 26 September 2000 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/55/2 and A/C.5/55/12))

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* Following the adjournment of the 10th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	8th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. UNTAET

2. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF)

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments), will be held *today*, 5 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects)

Informal consultations of interested delegations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects) will be held *today*, 5 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 5 October 2000

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

10 a.m.-12 noon	closed meeting	Conference Room D

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on Third Committee matters - INSTRAW)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held *today*, 5 October, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Briefing

The briefing of the World Bank on its latest policy research report entitled "Engendering Development : Through Gender Equality in Rights, Resources, and Voice", which was scheduled for *today*, 5 October, will now take place on Monday, 9 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of permanent missions, representatives of non-governmental organizations, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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Special event

There will be a presentation of the video "World Bank 2000: Prague and the Annual Report", organized by the World Bank, *today*, 5 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The presentation will be followed by a briefing on the 2000 Annual Report of the World Bank. Members of permanent missions, Secretary staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Tuesday, 3 October 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 6 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	7th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	8th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	9th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	13th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 3

SIXTH COMMITTEE

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

12 noon	9th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda item 82 (Effects of atomic radiation) and other related agenda items are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (Room S-2977, tel.: (212) 963-3051), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Panel discussion

The status of the reform of the international financial architecture will be the subject of a panel of experts and an open discussion, hosted by the Second Committee, in support of the General Assembly deliberations on macroeconomic policy questions: financing of development, including the net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries (agenda item 92 (e)), on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

The panel will be chaired by Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will be Mr. Rumman Faruqi, Director, Economic Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat; Ms. Barbara Samuels II, Project Director of the Council on Foreign Relations' Roundtable on Country Risk in the Post Asia-Crisis Era; Ms. Sylvia Saborío, Co-Chair of Overseas Development Council Task Force on "The Future Role of the IMF in Development", and Mr. Arjun Sengupta, Independent Expert on the Right to Development, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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There will be a meeting of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) on Friday, 6 October 2000, at 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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The Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All its Aspects will hold an informal inter-sessional meeting on Friday, 6 October 2000, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to continue its consideration of the following informal proposals of the Chairman circulated to delegations during the informal inter-sessional meeting of the Preparatory Committee held from 17 to 19 July 2000: draft objective of the Conference, draft provisional agenda, structure and elements for a Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in small Arms and Light Weapons in All its Aspects.

All States, as well as specialized agencies, other relevant intergovernmental organizations and relevant entities, having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and in the work of the General Assembly are invited to participate.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal (informal) consultations, under the chairmanship of Mr. Grant Robertson (New Zealand), on item 8 (Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in economic and social fields) will take place on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9, and, if necessary, on Wednesday, 11 October, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room D.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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The briefing to Group of 77 Ambassadors and their experts by the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Mohamed El-Ashry, on the agency's development programme to assist developing countries on the following issues on climate change, biological diversity, desertification and forests: (a) capacity-building; (b) technology transfer; and (c) adaptation, which had been scheduled for Thursday, 9 November 2000, *will now take place on Tuesday, 7 November*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Meetings of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution submitted under agenda item 73 (i) (Towards a nuclear-free world: the need for a new agenda), organized by the delegation of Sweden, on Friday, 6 October 2000, at 12 noon in Conference Room A.

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There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution submitted under agenda item 73 (j) (Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures), organized by the delegation of Germany, on Monday, 9 October 2000, at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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Panel discussions

There will be a panel discussion on "Ageing and the World of Work", co-sponsored by the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), on Friday, 6 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. John Langmore, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA. The speakers will be Mr. Ali Taqi, Special Adviser, ILO; Mr. Alexandre Sidorenko, Chief, Programme on Ageing, DESA; Mr. James Schulz, Professor Emeritus, Brandeis University; and Ms. Helen Hamlin, Chair, NGO Committee on Ageing. Members of permanent missions, representatives of non-governmental organizations, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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The International Labour Organization (ILO) will host a discussion on "Gender, Poverty and Employment: An ILO Perspective" on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A. The discussants will be Ms. Youyoun Zhang, Director, Bureau for Gender Equality, and Ms. Amelita King-Dejardin, Employment Specialist, Informal Sector Unit, Skills Development Department, ILO, Geneva. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cindy Berman (tel.: (212) 697-0150, extension 106).

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There will be a panel discussion on "Cities Without Slums", co-sponsored by the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the World Bank, on Thursday, 12 October 2000, from 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The participants will include H.E. Mr. Sergio Vento, Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations; Mayor Hector Silva of San Salvador (El Salvador); Mrs. Anna Kajumulo Tibaijuka, Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat); and Ms. Frannie Leautier, Director, Infrastructure Division, World Bank. Mr. Sarbuland Khan, Director of the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, will be the moderator. Members of permanent missions, Secretary staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Lecture

The Coordination Office of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) will host a lecture on "Intellectual Property and Development" on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in room DC2-2525. The lecture will be delivered by Mr. Roberto Castelo, Deputy Director-General of WIPO. Prospective participants should contact Ms. Lynette Dasanayake to reserve space (tel.: (212) 963-6813; fax: (212) 963-4801).

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Briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Special Representative to the United Nations, is organizing a debriefing following the annual meetings of September 2000 of the IMF. The debriefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing jointly with the World Trade Organization (WTO) a Workshop on International Trade Negotiations as part of the International Trade Series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Wednesday, 18 to Friday, 20 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 11 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 3 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 8th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations [88]

The representative of Morocco made a statement.

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee adopted draft resolution I, contained in document A/55/23 (Part III) by a recorded vote of 103 to none, with 5 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

Subsequently, the representative of Kuwait informed the Committee that, had his delegation been present, it would have intended to vote in favour of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 88.

Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories [89]

A/55/23 (Part III), draft resolution II, deletion of operative paragraph 7

The representative of the United States made a statement.

By a recorded vote of 3 to 42, with 56 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the deletion of operative paragraph 7.

A/55/23 (Part III), draft resolution II, as a whole

The Committee adopted draft resolution II contained in document A/55/23 (Part III), by a recorded vote of 110 to 2, with 2 abstentions.

Military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration: draft decision I (item 18)

The Committee adopted the draft decision contained in document A/55/23 (Part III), by a recorded vote of 71 to 41, with no abstention.

Subsequently, the representative of Togo informed the Committee that his delegation had intended to vote in favour of the draft decision but had pressed the wrong button instead.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union) and the United States.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations [90]

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee adopted draft resolution III contained in document A/55/23 (Part III), by a recorded vote of 74 to none, with 40 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of France, on behalf of European Union.

The representative of Chad made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 90.

Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories [91]

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.2 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 91.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]

The Secretary of the Committee (Fourth Committee) made a statement.

Question of Western Sahara

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The Committee adopted without a vote draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.3.

Statements in explanation of their position after the decision were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia - and the associated countries - Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, as well as the EFTA country members of the EEA - Iceland and Norway), Morocco, Algeria and Senegal.

Question of Gibraltar

The Committee adopted draft decision A/C.4/55/L.4, without a vote.

Question of New Caledonia

The Committee adopted draft resolution IV, contained in document A/55/23 (Part III), without a vote.

Question of Tokelau

The Committee adopted draft resolution V, contained in document A/55/23 (Part III) without a vote.

Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St. Helena, the Turks and Caicos Island and the United States Virgin Islands

On the proposal made by the Acting Chairman, the Committee decided to defer consideration of the consolidated draft resolution at a later meeting.

Organization of work

The Acting Chairman made a statement.

Wednesday, 4 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

4204th (resumed) meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/928)

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Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/934)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/935)

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Indonesia, Japan, Lebanon, Morocco, Nepal, Oman, the Sudan, the United Arab Emirates and Viet Nam, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, His Excellency Mr. Ibra Deguène Ka.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 3 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations (S/2000/939), the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Dr. Hussein Hassouna, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 3 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations (S/2000/951), the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Mokhtar Lamani, Permanent Observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to the United Nations.

The Council then heard statements by the representatives of Algeria, Pakistan and Jordan.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard the statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

The Council then heard statements by the representatives of Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Saudi Arabia, Cuba, Yemen, India, Iraq and Mauritania.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard the statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by His Excellency Dr. Hassouna.

The Council then heard a statement by the representative of Turkey.

The meeting was suspended.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 5th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Switzerland, Mali, the United States, Belarus, Algeria, the Russian Federation, Colombia, Senegal and Chile.

THIRD COMMITTEE 11th meeting

Crime prevention and criminal justice [105]

International drug control [106]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Cyprus, Kyrgyzstan, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Israel, Jamaica (on behalf of the member countries of the Caribbean Community), Ukraine, Pakistan, Mexico, China, Guatemala, Kazakhstan (also on behalf of Armenia, Belarus, Kyrgysztan, Tajikistan and the Russian Federation), Guinea, Italy, Madagascar, Bangladesh and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

12th meeting

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 105 and 106 and heard statements by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Nepal, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Azerbaijan (also on behalf of Georgia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and the Republic of Moldova), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Lebanon, Brazil, Myanmar, Turkey, Bahrain, Haiti, Cameroon, Brunei Darussalam, India and Venezuela.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of items 105 and 106.

The Secretary made a statement in connection with the title of the United Nations African Institute for Crime Prevention and the Treatment of Offenders.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement on the organization of work and informed the Committee that draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.6 on the follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons would be introduced on Monday, 9 October. The Committee would aim to take action on it on Tuesday, 10 October, along with the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/55/L.2.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 8th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [122]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Mozambique, the Czech Republic, Morocco, the Philippines (on behalf of the ASEAN countries), Egypt, Indonesia, Belarus, Venezuela, Cuba, Tunisia, Ukraine (on behalf of Georgia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan and the Republic of Moldova), Singapore, Peru, the United Arab Emirates, Ghana, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United Republic of Tanzania, Poland, Kyrgyzstan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Cambodia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Organization of work

The representative of Portugal, Rapporteur of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations), made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2000

665th and 666th meetings

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros (CRC/C/28/Add.13).

In accordance with the provisional rules of procedure of the Committee, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions and observations made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards. New York, 10 June 1958

Accession: Honduras (3 October 2000)*

* Date of receipt of relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Day of Older Persons

On the occasion of the tenth annual commemoration of the International Day of Older Persons, the NGO Committee on Aging, in collaboration with the United Nations Programme on Ageing, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the Department of Public Information, will hold an event on the theme "Towards a Society for All Ages" *today*, 5 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The speakers in the morning programme will include H.E. Sra. Julia T. de Alvarez, Alternate Permanent Representative of the Dominican Republic to the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Arthur C.I. Mbanefo, Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Inocencio F. Arias, Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations. The afternoon programme will include a screening of clips from the film "The Buena Vista Social Club" followed by a panel dialogue on "Multigenerational/multi- cultural Perspectives on life in the older years". Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 5 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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